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In re Application of Lannert, et al. Application No. 09/868,667

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 21, 2006, to revive the above-identified application. The petition was recently forwarded to the Office of Petitions for a decision on the merits. The Office sincerely apologizes for any inconvenience.

On September 20, 2005, the Office mailed a Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, which set a three-month statutory period for reply. In the absence of a timely filed response, the application became abandoned on December 21, 2005. On February 2, 2006, the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment.

Petitioner has met the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive this application. Petitioner submitted a reply in the form of payment of the issue fee, made the appropriate statement of unintentional delay, and paid the petition fee. Accordingly, the petition is <u>granted</u>. The Office notes that it mistakenly charged petitioner's Deposit Account twice for the issue fee and the petition fee. The total amount of \$2,900.00 will be refunded to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

This matter is being referred to the Office of Patent Publication.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3211. All other questions regarding the status of the application or the issuance of a patent should be directed to the Office of Patent Publication Customer Service at (571) 272-4200.

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